

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-094**

Approving Extension of the Room-Block Agreement at the Hotel Located at 9727 NE Sandy Avenue, Portland, Oregon.

**The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:**

- a. The use of transient lodging is one of many approaches employed by the Joint Office of Homeless Services ("JOHS") to address homelessness and related issues.
- b. Extending the Room-Block Agreement located at 9727 NE Sandy Avenue, Portland, Oregon ("RBA") will enable JOHS to continue to use transient lodging at this location to provide shelter for people experiencing homelessness. The provider at this location (Do Good Multnomah) has expressed that the programs located here have been successful and that many features of this location, including its relatively large number of rooms, separation between buildings, and common spaces and amenities make it particularly well suited for shelter programming.
- c. The proposed rate (\$70/night per room with an annual increase of 2%) is competitive for similar properties and current economic conditions. The increase from the former rate of \$64/night is reflective of increases in the costs incurred by owners, most notably to insurance, utilities, and staffing. The total RBA rental cost for the remainder of FY 2024 is \$1,745,380 and the total RBA rental cost for FY 2025 is \$3,535,065.80.
- d. The improvements proposed for the extension improve the property and provide immediate benefits to the programming held on site, and therefore represent a good use of allocated funding. Notable among these are much-needed improvements to perimeter fencing, add usable space and features to the property, and add the option to continue to convert rooms to meet modern accessibility guidelines.

In addition to needed improvements, other improvements in this proposal have been included as options that can be exercised by the County, and most are paid directly as opposed to through an increase in rent. This provides Multnomah County with accountability and control over the installation of these improvements. This allows Multnomah County continued access to this facility at a competitive room rate while gaining features very rare in motels at this price.

- e. Extension of the Room-Block Agreement in substantial conformance with the proposed terms is in the best interests of Multnomah County.

**The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Resolves:**

1. Extension of the RBA on terms substantially similar to those proposed is approved.
2. Renewals, extensions and amendments of the RBA may be executed without further Board action.

ADOPTED this 16th day of November, 2023.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
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Jessica Vega Pederson, Chair

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